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General Conference in

Asheville.

DIVERGENCE OF OPINION

On Several Subjects There Prob-

ably Will Be Sharp

Contests.

South, it is predicted that the General

Conference, which is to be held this

will be one of the most interesting and

one of the most important meetings

of that body in its history. Judging from the number and variety of the

the general organ of the church and in the conference organs, there will be

pers, and there is a variety of opinion concerning them. Among the subjects receiving most consideration in the papers are the episcopacy, the presiding eldership, the time limit of the pastorate, the rights of the laity for the women of the church, and the order of worship as now observed in many of the churches.

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Regarding the episcopacy there is a diversity of opinion in the church. Some believe the bishops should con-

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Found That Fight Against Mc. Curdy Estate Brought Loss of \$237,349.

ce Company undertaken by the State Hughes uncovered the malignant scandals of 1905, has been completed by Superintendent Hotchkiss and develops the following facts: 1. The final efforts of the new man-

agement to recover \$3,000,000 from the his associates of the old management. resulted in a net outgo of \$237,349 more

2. Since the Armstrong law went into effect, the Mutual expenses of maintenance and administration have dropped from \$15,720,901 in 1904, the year previous to the Armstrong investigation, to \$7,451,186 in 1908, while the volume of the last year's expenses remained about the same.

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3. As late as 1906 agents of the company were still, active campaigners in the interests of directors seeking restection, although the report does not charge that this was done at the instigation of the directors themselves, or with their connivance. For these electioneering services agents of the company received, in 1908, \$168.351 of the policyholders' moneys.

4. So late as 1908 payments to agents aggregating \$354.144, which do not appear on the books of the company as bonuses for getting new business, but are, nevertheless, believed by the department to be such paid in violation of the Armstrong law, were traced to the Boston office. There is no record of them in the home office. In Boston they are charged to "supervision of old business." which is to say, to prevent the lapsing of old policies.

Superintendent Hotcikiss characterizes the report submitted by the company's committee, which recommended the acceptance of the compromise with the McCurdys, as "untrue in at least two places, and deceptive in one more." "It seems to us." the report continues, "that either the committee did not know the facts or purposely misled the board of directors. Nevertheless, it is said, that the report on the whole is complimentary to the company."

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"The others I visited, which fell short, I do not care to name, but it is fair to say that they were not see it is a medicine, law, etc., and since these courses really give universities their courses from the title that they be kept at an equal grade with the regular college course as medicine, law, etc., and since these courses really give universities their courses from the troop the troop that they be kept at an equal grade with the regular college standard."

There is little doubt that Dr. Pritchetty's verdict will be promptly to give them all teachers' pensions as soon as they shall hav

Until Improvement Is Shown They Will Be Barred From Foundation,

Carnerie Foundation, to attend a foundation fund.

institutions from Ohio to the coast than the company received from the He found only two among the twelves

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noid to the belief that the time has come when there is no longer any real need for the episcopacy in the M. E. Church, South. It is probable that this subject is receiving even more before conference consideration than it would atherwise receive on account of the fact that at the present time there are only seven bishops in active service, five having died since the last General Conference. If the episcopacy is continued as at present, it is probable that six additional bishops will be elected, and naturally a great deal worst fires that has visited Farmville tablishment of Mrs. H. H. who are to constitute the delegates is adjust put in a new stock, to the congress will make application was complete. Above the to the foreign missionary board or was the handsome photodio of H. H. Hunt. This y one of the costllest picture is in Virginia. Not a vestoutfit remains. Next door it was the ideal shoe store. It is concern was greatly hough none was burned, but and immediately adjoin.

The first session of the congress will be held on Tuesday afternoon, May 3, and the session of Friday even. May 3, and the session of Friday even.



WILL BE INSPIRED

Congress to Be Held Under Thousands of Bushels Caugh Auspices of Laymen's Movement.

MEETS IN CHICAGO IN MAY

Men of Church Aroused to Responsibilities as Never Before,

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlotte, N. C., April 17.-There are notable questions to be considered at be held in Chicago, May 3-6, under the auspices of the National Laymen's questions are the following: "What is America's share in the evangelization

Great Interest Aroused.

It is estimated that at least 190,000 men have attended the campaign conventions which the Laymen's Move-

are actively co-operating in the ar-rangements being made for the conwill be required from each delegate,

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Which Cannot Be Marketed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Lancaster, Va., April 17.—There hadeen during the past week some abate ment in the great run of fish that for time had been filling the traps in the littoral waters of Virginia, wi shad and herring. While the run that has been unusually large, the rule of herring has been unprecedented. I act, so great has been tire catch herring that the local packing house, where these fish are put up for winte and spring use, could not hundle

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WILL MEET IN DANVILLE.

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convention, converes here this week
on Thursday and continues through
sunday night. The sessions will be
held in the Main Street Church.

The second will be the State convention of the Grand Lodge of OddFellows, the Grand Encampment and
the Rebekahis' Assembly, which meets
here May 10-11. It is thought that
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decorated for the occasion.

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